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Oligopeptide Lyophilisate etc.

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REPLY/AMENDMENT/LETTER

This is a reply/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated hereinto by reference and the signature below is treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

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Query: Is appeal deadline now? If so, file Notice of Appeals separately.

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ENGEL et al

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Group Art Unit: 16

THEIR PREPARATION AND USE

Examiner: N. Minnifield

January 12, 2000

AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action issued September 14, 5 1999 in the above-referenced application, please consider the following remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 20-23 are under examination. Reconsideration is requested.

Claims 20-23 have been rejected under 35 USC § 102(b) or (e) as being anticipated by Engel et al. (USP 5,663,145). This rejection is traversed for the following reasons.

The '145 patent claims a kit with an initial and maintenance dose of LH RH antagonist, cetrorelix in particular, and a method of treating hormone dependent conditions. The '145 patent provides one example of how cetrorelix might be produced. In contrast, the present application discloses and claims a method for preparation of a sterile cetrorelix lyophilisate with specific reaction partners and parameters and

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